

annually include in the general tax, an amount sufficient to pay the interest on said bonds as they may be issued, and when any principal is about to become due, a sufficient amount to pay such principal sum.

To levy a tax to pay bonds.

SEC. 4. The bonds issued under the provisions of this act, shall be signed by the chairman of the board of county commissioners of said county, and countersigned by the auditor of said county. The said county auditor is hereby required to keep a record of all the bonds issued under the provisions of this act.

Who to execute bonds—duty of auditor

SEC. 5. The said board of county commissioners shall have authority to negotiate said bonds as in their judgment shall be best for the interests of said county.

Who to negotiate said bonds.

SEC. 6. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

When act to take effect.

Approved March 3, 1870.

CHAPTER CVII.

An Act to authorize the County Commissioners of Ramsey County to employ a Stenographic Reporter for the Courts of said County.

March 1, 1870.

- SECTION 1. County Commissioners authorized to employ a Stenographic Reporter—for what purpose—compensation.
2. To be in attendance upon every general and special term of said courts—when services may be dispensed with—to file report with Clerk of Court.
 3. To furnish either party to an action with a certified translated copy—compensation—Judges and Clerk to be supplied gratis.
 4. Report to be received as prima facie evidence of the proceedings had in such cause.
 5. Shall be present at all suits before referees, arbitrators, &c., if requested—compensation.
 6. Reporter to subscribe an oath and give bond conditioned for faithful performance of duties—in what amount—subject to a fine for gross neglect.
 7. When act to take effect.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota :

Commissioners to employ a stenographic reporter - for what purpose—compensation.

SECTION 1. The county commissioners of Ramsey county are hereby authorized and empowered to employ a stenographic reporter for the courts of record of said county. The said reporter shall be employed upon the joint recommendation of the judges of the district court and court of common pleas of said county, and shall receive such annual salary as said board shall determine, not exceeding one thousand dollars per annum, to be paid out of the county treasury, and he may be discharged at the pleasure of said board.

When to be in attendance—when services may be dispensed with— to file report.

SEC. 2. The said reporter shall be an officer of said courts, and it shall be his duty to be in attendance upon any general or special term of said courts, and make a true and exact stenographic report of all the proceedings and testimony upon the trial of every issue of fact tried in said courts, whether civil or criminal, unless his services are dispensed with by consent of both parties and the judge who presides at such trial, and upon the conclusion of such trial he shall file the said report with the clerk of such court.

Parties to action to be furnished a copy—compensation—judges and clerk supplied gratis.

SEC. 3. Either party to any civil action may require the said reporter to furnish one or more translated copies of the whole or any part of such stenographic report, duly certified by said reporter, and for which translated copy he shall be entitled to receive the same fees per folio, as are allowed to the clerk of said courts for certified copies of his records, to be paid by the party ordering such copy. But such fees shall not be taxed as a disbursement in any cause, except in cases where the said translation is made a part of a case on appeal to the supreme court of the state. *Provided*, That the judges of said courts shall be entitled to a translated copy of the report of any cause tried before him, and the county attorney shall be entitled to a translated copy of the report of any criminal trial, or of any civil action in which said county is a party, without charge to said county.

Report to be received as evidence.

SEC. 4. The said translated copies shall be received as prima facie evidence of the proceedings and evidence taken and had in such cause in any court in this state, but may be corrected upon motion of either party to such action, or upon the settlement of a case by the judge who presided at such trial.

SEC. 5. The said reporter shall, upon the request of

either party to any suit or proceedings before any referee, arbitrators or inferior court or officer of said county, attend the trial of such suit or proceeding, (where such attention will not interfere with his duties in said courts of record,) and for such services shall be entitled to receive from such party a fee of five dollars for each day, or three dollars for each half day, for which his services shall be actually required, unless a different rate shall be agreed upon between said reporter and such party, and the sum actually paid shall be taxed and allowed as a disbursement in favor of the party requiring the attendance of said reporter, in case the result of such trial shall entitle him to disbursements therein under the laws of this state, and the said per diem fixed or agreed upon as aforesaid, shall include a certified translation of such trial or proceedings for the use of the referee or other officer before whom such trial is had, and shall be by him delivered to the successful party upon the rendition of his report, finding or judgment in such suit or proceeding.

To be present if requested at suits before referees, &c.—secs.

SEC. 6. The said reporter shall give a bond to the county commissioners of said county in the sum of five hundred dollars, conditioned for the faithful and impartial discharge of the duties of his office. He shall also subscribe an oath of office, to be filed with said bond, and shall be liable to a fine in the discretion of the judge of either of said courts, for any gross neglect or malfeasance of his official duties, which fine shall be certified by the clerk to the county auditor, and shall be deducted from the salary of such reporter unless remitted by such judge.

Reporter to take oath for faithful performance of duty—penalty for neglect of duty.

SEC. 7. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

When act to take effect.

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